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Semaphores

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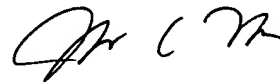
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	A1	6,101,510	08/08/2000	Stone et al			
	A2	6,119,153	09/12/2000	Dujari et al.			
	A3	5,974,416	10/26/1999	Anand et al.			
	A4	5,890,172	03/30/1999	Borman et al.			
	A5	5,878,219	3/1999	Vance Jr. et al.			
	A6	5,774,664	6/1998	Hidary et al.			
	A7	6,041,360	3/2000	Himmel et al.			
	A8	6,163,779	12/2000	Mantha et al.			
	A9	6,138,150	10/2000	Nichols et al.			
	A10	5,706,507	1/1998	Schloss			
	A11	6,175,862 B1	1/2001	Chen et al.			
	A12	6,076,733	6/2000	Wilz, Sr. et al.			
	A13	6,094,684	07/25/2000	Pallmann			

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OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

A14	Instrumentation Reference and Catalogue 1997, Test and Measurement Industrial Automation, Internet-Ready Software Development, pp 2-91 and 2-92.
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